



The Honorable Slade Gorton
United States Senate
Washington, D.C., 20510

Dear Senator Gorton:

On behalf of the Sierra Club, I want to thank you for your stalwart leadership on the Clean Car Resolution. As we discussed off the floor, in a moment of joy, garnering 40 votes was a superb victory.

The 40 votes has proven that there is a strong base of support in the Senate for moving forward on fuel economy standards . We are hopeful that the auto industry will take this a sign that the days of the House-based CAFE-freeze rider are numbered. And, we are now working with the White House to follow through on this important vote in a meaningful way. Your leadership in garnering support for the letter to the President, which 31 Senators signed and was delivered on May 27, 1999, and on this vote was instrumental in the success of both of these efforts.

I also want to thank you for your excellent advice and for making your staff available to us. We enjoyed working with Brett and appreciate his strong input in both strategy and content.

Again, this was truly a great vote and we look forward to continuing our work together on the CAFE issue.

Sincerely,

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